THE JAPANESE IN KOREA

TROUBLE PURELY LOCAL ORIGIN IS

SEOUL, Dec. 14.-The Japanese landed marines at Mokphe yesterday to suppress ing several people.

precipitated clashes among the Koreans and tory, loss probably \$35,000.

The affair, it is thought, may cause local complications, and it is possible Russia may ment resent the landing of marines by Japan.

Mokphe is a town on the southwest coast of Korea. It has about 9,000 inhabitants.

Trouble Is Purely Local,

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14,-The State Department has received the following cablegram from United States Minister Allan, dated Seoul, Korea, Dec. 13: "Japanese forces landed at Mokphe yesterday to protect Japanese subjects from Korean rioters. This has no significance, as trouble is

POPE HEARS COMMITTEE.

Promises to Aid in Prominent Catholic Celebration.

ROME, Dec. 14.-The Pope received in private audience to-day the committee having in charge the festivities for the fifteenth anniversary of the proclamation of the Immaculate Conception. The committee was headed by Cardinal Nefarino Vannutelli, who gave his Holiness details of the progress of the programme to be followed. The Pope expressed himself as greatly pleased with the information that the Catholics of the entire world would join in celebrating the jubilee and said he trusted that as a result of this manifestation God would, Christendom. He promised to personally celebration, especially that on Dec. , 1904, when there will be placed on the mmaculate Conception now in the choir of the chapel of the Vatican a crown of twelve arge diamond stars presented by the faithful throughout the world.

WILL INVESTIGATE NAVY

thorized After Struggle.

ROME, Dec. 14.-After a long struggle for a naval parliamentary inquiry, the Socialists at last have gained a victory.

This inquiry was opposed by Former Premier Zanardelli and his Cabinet and rejected by the Chamber of Deputies. It has now been decided by the committee on the navy of the Chamber of Deputies that this inquiry shall be held with the sanction of the Cabinet and a bill authorizing it soon will be presented to Parliament.

ATTACKED BY GERMANS.

Hottentot Laager in South Africa | tions in this State \$127.00 sonal estate of \$1,458,437. Resists to Good Purpose.

CAPE TOWN, S. A., Dec. 14.-According river district, a Hottentot laager was atcaptured by a German patrol Germans across the river, firing heavily and severely wounding Lieutenant Beklin and one private. The Hottentots subsequently retreated, losing three killed and two More fighting is expected. During the engagement the Cape police came under the fire of the Hottentots, who say that they shot at the police officers by

CLEVELAND ON A HUNT.

Ex-President and His Party Go South for Game.

GEORGETOWN, S. C., Dec. 14 .- Former Grover Cleveland, accompanied by Commander E. C. Benedict, Captain Gildings, General A. G. McCook and Commander Hodgins, arrived in a special car from the North to-day. The party was met by the government launch, Water Lily, to which they transferred and left for the hunting preserves of General E. P. Alexander, at South island, whose guests the party will be for ten days. They will in-dulge in duck and deer hunting and fish-

TRADE, LABOR AND INDUSTRY.

Indiana Harbor Lockout,

CHICAGO, Dec. 14.-Failing to agree on terms by which the strike of the Amalganated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers at the plant of the Inland Steel company to-day announced that would have no further dealings with the ociation, and the mills have been closed union men. A long fight is in prospect. art of the plant is being worked by non-

Carnegie Furnaces Out of Blast. PITTSBURG, Dec. 14.-The Carnegie iteel Company is taking advantage of the ron market to take its blast furnaces out blast in Braddock, Rankin and Duuesne for the purpose of rebuilding and epairing. Within the last ten days three naces have been taken out of blast at the Edgar Thompson plant and another will go out within the next two or three

Will Take no Union Men.

SALT LAKE CITY, Dec. 14 .- Any miner who wants work for the Utah Fuel Company nust choose between the company and the niners union," said Vice President Kramer, the Utah Fuel Company. "We will not take back a single one of the strikers so long as they are unwilling to surrender their cards."

Strikers' Injunction Refused. TRINIDAD, Col., Dec. 14 .- Judge Northcott to-day refused the injunction sought by the United Mine Workers to restrain the Victor Fuel Company, its officers and agents

from in any way interfering with union organizers who wish to visit coal camps ontrolled by that company.

Miners to Continue Strike. TELLURIDE, Col., Dec. 14.-The miners' union has voted to continue the strike in this district until a settlement on an eight-hour

day basis is reached with mine and mill

Two Boats Ordered South, VALLEJO, Cal., Dec. 14.-The report that the "entire torpedo flotilla has been ordered to Panama" is not confirmed officially. So far the Perry and the Paul Jones are the only torpedo boats with orders to go to the isthmus. These two boats are now ready to leave for the lower bay of San Francisco, but await the arrival of some of the officers from the East. The cruiser New York is now on her way from remerton to San Francisco and may re-

Field Secretary Marshall Dend. NEW YORK, Dec. 14 .- From Olney, I. T., ord was received to-day of the sudden eath of the Rev. Dr. Thomas Marshall, ald secretary of the Presbyterian board sions. Dr. Marshall was apnted to the office in 1800, with headquarers in Chicago. He was widely known ighout the whole Presbyterian Church. e was a graduate of Dartmouth and Union beological Seminary, in this city.

THREE COSTLY FIRES

Several Members of a Mob Re- Aggregate Loss of \$200,000 in Factories, Including Two That Manufactured Pianos.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Dec. 15.-Rochester was visited by three disastrous fires torioting during a strike among laborers. It | night, the loss probably aggregating over is reported that they fired on the mob, kill- \$200,000. The first was in the Sherwood Shoe factory, loss, \$65,000; the second in the The strike was among Korean coolies Foster Armstrong plano factory, loss, \$100,employed in the foreign concession, which | 000, and the third in the Haines plano fac-

At 1 o'clock the Haines piano factory, another of the four plants in this city operated send a warship should the Korean govern- by the Foster Armstrong Company, was avenue and North Water street, across the river from the Commercial-street plant. The fact that two factories are burning is

SUIT THAT INVOLVES MILLIONS TO BE TRIED | psetas poorer. Still, that was your affair.

Philadelphia Land Title and the grounds yield wonderfully. In truth, the captain general, I cannot say 'Yes.'" Trust Company Comes Up Dec. 22.

TRENTON, N. J., Dec. 14 .- Judge Kirk- | would prove myself worthy of what I hoped to-day fixed Dec. 22 for a hearing on the the Senorita Valentin, your daughter, and longer? Sabe Dios! but I think not." application of the Land Title and Trust I said in my heart: 'I will never ask Senor Company of Philadelphia, for an order di- Sagasta for her hand until I can place her recting Henry Tatnall to collect an assess- in a beautiful home, and until I can prove ment of 80 per cent. of the par value my love by laying riches and honor at her of the outstanding stock of the Ashphalt | feet.' And, now I am able to do this, I

pany as trustees for the bondholders of the Ashphalt Company of America. There are outstanding bonds with interest aggregating about \$29,000,000. It is charged that only lard. He was taller than ordinary, and, through the intercession of the Virgin 20 per cent. of the amount subscribed of although he possessed distinctively Spanish | alcalde you shall marry Valentin." Mary, shower more copious benedictions on the \$30,000,000 of the stock of the Ashphalt features, they were less fleshy and more reparticipate in the most important functions leaving \$24,000,000 which, it is claimed, fined than was common. Moreover, he a councilor, aye and connive at their dostockholders have never paid in. Receiver Tatnall joins in the suit and points out the fact that in his report as receiver made last July he set out that this assessment had never been paid in. It is also asserted that the bulk of the stock of the Ashphalt Company of America is owned by the National Ashphalt Company, of which Mr. Tatnall is also re-

Italian Parliamentary Inquiry Au- REPORT ON VALUE OF MARCUS DALY ESTATE

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.-Wm. T. Wilson, state transfer tax appraiser, to-day filed a supplemental report as to the value of the estate left by Marcus Daly, who died in this city on Nov. 11, 1900. The appraiser's original estimate of the gross personal estate wherever situated was \$9,630,939. It unchanged in the report filed to-day.

Mr. Daly's personal property in New York State at the time of his death was worth, according to the original estimate of the appraiser, \$1,585,451, and the deductions in this State \$127,014, leaving a net per-

In the supplemental report the value of the gross personal estate in New York is \$1,848,545, leaving the net personal estate \$1,-696,640. Of this the widow will receive \$565,to an official dispatch from the Hartebeeste 546 and each of the four children one-half within the precincts of the house, he cast of that amount. The appraisers say there are claims pending against the estate amounting to \$1,624,500. When Mr. Daly died he was a resident of Anaconda, Mont. The will was probated in that city.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.-Arrived: Umbria, from Liverpool and Queenstown. By wireless report from Nantucket: Hellig Olav, from Christiania for New York, passed at

GIBRALTAR, Dec. 14.-Passed: Romanic, I did not do so. It is true I am the alcalde from Boston for Naples and Genoa; Sar-degna, from Genoa and Naples for New NAPLES, Dec. 14.-Arrived: Prinzess

Irene, from New York, and sailed for ter, Carlos. Valentin is my only child, and CHERBOURG, Dec. 14.-Sailed: Blucher, from Hamburg and Southampton for New

LIZARD, Dec. 14.-Passed: Mesaba, from New York for London.

Six Perish in a Wreck. ST. JOHNS, N. F., Dec. 14.-During a

ierce gale last night the schooner Sailors' Home was driven ashore at St. Mary's bay, and the entire crew of six persons perished. The Sailors' Home is now a derelict, and was seen drifting about in the ocean to- I am a liberal man. Besides, he is a good day. This is the second disaster of the kind in the last two weeks, the previous one being the wreck on Ferryland Head, near Cape Race, of the Danish schooner Sigrid, when five lives were lost,

Killed by Jump From Window.

LOUISVILLE, Dec. 14.-After a brief struggle with his trained nurse while in a delirious condition E. Strother, the son of John C. Strother, an attorney, and one of the best-known young men in the city, he best-known young men in the city, alcalda."

"Ah," laughed his friends, "well, Senor Carlos shall be made happy. Valentin is a beautiful girl, and Carlos is rich, he is hon-they rushed toward him with savage oaths. delirious condition E. Strother, the son of crowned, that I might have a title! Why Company in Indiana Harbor could be set- the best-known young men in the city, alcalda" apartments in the St. James Hotel, a distance of seventy-five feet, and died an hour later from the effects of the injuries re-

ceived. Thousand Charges of Cruelty.

BERLIN, Dec. 14 .- A thousand specifications of cruelty are laid against Lieu- sides, what I will my daughter will do. The enant Schilling of the Ninety-eighth Regiment of Infantry, whose trial began at Metz to-day. The military administration, in view of the avidity with which the opposition newspapers report details of the mistreatment of private soldiers, has or-

dered that the hearing be private.

Indianapolis After Convention. CHICAGO, Dec. 14 .- Six cities will endeavor to secure the next national Prohibition convention at the meeting of the Prohibition national committee in Chicago on Wednesday morning. The six cities are Baltimore, Kansas City, Indianapolis, Columbus, Buffalo and Minneapolis. The convention will take place during the last week

Bank Tax Case Decision.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14 .- The United States Supreme Court to-day decided the case of the Deposit Bank of Frankfort, Ky., vs. the city of Frankfort, in favor of the bank, thus reversing the Kentucky Court of Appeals. The case involved the right of the city to levy certain taxes under the Hewitt act, which the bank resisted.

Murderer Hidden From Mob.

HUNTINGTON, W. Va., Dec. 14.-Russel Lucas was brought here from Logan county to-day and piaced in jail to prevent his being mobbed. Lucas killed John Chaddock because the latter gave evidence against him in a lawsuit. Lucas was brought through the mountains on horseback.

Mrs. Kesier Dead.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Dec. 14 .- Mrs. Eva Kesier, aged eighty-three, died here to-night of old age. She was one of the ploneers of the city.

Discuss Saloon Evil.

The topic for discussion before the Methodist ministers' meeting yesterday was, "Are We Approaching a Solution of the Liquor Problem?" The Rev. Goodwin stated ceive orders to go from there to the isthin a paper that so long as the criminal classes elect the men who are expected to enforce the laws it will be centuries before any relief of the evil is had. A number of the prominent ministers joined in the discussion, and they were all of the opinion that the saloon should be abolished. Letters were read from Senators Fairbanks and Beveridge in response to the resolutions forwarded to them some days ago asking them to stand for the continuance of the present anti-canteen law. Both of the senators said that they would present the resolutions to the Senate.

A Knight of Spain

"But I could not do it, senor."

for one so young, you are rich."

give her to me for my wife."

"Yes, senor, what you say is true," said

come to you and I say: 'Senor, I love the

The young man. Carlos Saragossa, was

contrary, he was alert, eager, vivacious.

many years. He was, perhaps, fifty years

of age, and was characterized by those

traits peculiar to the middle-aged Spaniard.

He was short and stout and pompous. He

had a thick neck and a bullet-shaped head;

he breathed with difficulty and perspired

freely. All the same, he possessed some-

thing of the dignity associated with the

Spanish gentry. He was very proud, and

of Amarillo, situated in the ancient king-

the grandees of the town and claimed ac-

quaintance, if not friendship, with los hi-

dalgos, or the nobility, who lived in the

imposing than any other in the town, be-

a look of pride on the marble column and

play of the fountain, which threw its

orange trees and flower beds became more

me before, I have seen your love for my

daughter Valentin," said Senor Sagasta

"and although at one time I was strongly

tempted to forbid your coming to my house

but then I am a man of liberal tendencies

and I said, 'He is a good lad, although of

humble birth.' But this is a serious mat-

the Marquis Del Andromeda is poor, he

"He is a roue," replied Carlos, warmly.

"Ah, yes, he has sown his wild oats, as

the English call it. But what would you?

Catholic, and has still some influence. True, the lands are mortgaged; but what then?

give a name, and I can give the money.

After all, it would be no small thing for my

daughter to be a marquesa, eh? It might

"But the Senorita," urged Carlos. "Would

And the senor shrugged his shoulders,

to remember, Carlos. Your father was a

are not invited to be the guest of los hidal-

gos. My brother-in-law, the captain general,

they have power, and you defy them.

Since you came back from England you

have written to La Libertad, saying that

England grew great by throwing off the

yoke of the priest, and that we in Spain

must do likewise. Not but what I agree

with you, but you go too fast. Then you

never go to confession or to mass; you are,

in short, a Protestant. Besides, you de-

town-you denounce bull fights."

nounce the corruption of the Council of the

"Yes," said Carlos. "But what would

you? When the English company employed

me I went to England to learn the lan-

guage, and what did I find? A great coun-

try, a mighty country. But how did they

get mighty? Their greatness began from

visit their towns, and this I find; Honesty,

honesty. There is no bribery, no corrup-

tion. Then I look at their sport, their

games. It is healthy, it is manly. It is

"Aye, but it is discouraged, and only the

desecko, the riff-raff, as they call it, en-

courage it. Then I come back to Spain. I

find my country getting poorer, and poorer,

weaker and weaker. Why? I study our

"There is prize-fighting there."

not brutal."

I could make her happy, too!"

bears one of the best names in Spain."

now practically a pauper.'

does he love her."

"Yes, although you have not spoken to

pungent and sweet.

"Yes," said Senor Enrique Sagasta, "Yes, | mountains, and they are filled with min-I respect you very much. I have known you eral-but our men will not work, we are from your boyhood, and have watched your | corrupt. What is the cry of our peasants? career with interest. I have seen you study- 'Pan y toros,' bread and bulls. Thus ing while other youths were idling. I have | write to La Libertad. I tell our people to seen you growing in knowledge while others | be honest, to think for themselves, and let remained ignorant. Moreover, I have re- not the priests think for them. To trust in joiced over your business capacity and suc- God and do the right, to work hard and to

cess. I will admit that your career has been be merciful and manly." well-nigh wonderful. I saw you on the es-"Aye, and hereby you go against the tate of my old friend, Senor Ballerno, a priests and against the leaders of the bare-footed child. I know, too, as you grew | town."

up that you did your best to save him from "Aye, but I do my duty." Senor Sagasta shrugged his shoulders. "Aye, and you are foolish," he said. "You "No. Carlos, you could not do it, because are rich and can be richer. You speak the truth, but you cut your own throat. The he refused, not only to help you, but to allow you to do what was necessary. Then priests denounce you, and although you all those splendid orange groves and vinegrow rich, and, through your English conyards and orchards became ruin. Ballerno nections, independent of those who love discharged you, when you alone could have you not, you are nothing; los hidalgos saved him. Well, you got into the employ scorn you and old families shrug their of those English merchants, and so well did | shoulders when your name is mentioned. you succeed, that you have been able to get | Well, you ask for my daughter. But supregarded as very strange and no logical hold of Ballerno's estate; you got them pose I say 'Yes.' What happens? She who honestly, too. Indeed, I think you dealt | might be Marqueza Del Andromeda is the with your old master in a Quixotic way, wife of Carlos Saragossa, the poor lad who and thus made yourself many thousands of | has risen, but who is a Protestant, an enemy to the priests, an enemy to buil You are now owner of the Ballerno Casa; fights, and called a Socialist. I tell you, as

you have paid for it, and you are making a Sagasta, as the alcalde, brother-in-law of

"You refuse me, then?" "What would you? I cannot do otherthe young man, with pardonable pride. "I wise. If I said 'Yes,' the people would say: made up my mind many years ago that I | 'Ah! he also hates priestly rule, he hates patrick in the United States Circuit Court to obtain. Seven years now have I loved | larity? Would they let me be alcalde any

> "And yet I have heard you say that you agree with my views." "Si, but what would you? I am alcalde,

and I must not write them on a banner and flaunt them." "So you refuse me?" "Aye, if you will be a fool. But look, you, Carlos, I like you, and-well, I think you

a representative of the best type of Spanentin, too, and I cannot let her marry a nobody. I tell you this: When you are an "But to do that I should have to become

know Valentin's heart. Now, I love Val-

moved and spoke with decision. The indo- | ings. I should have to be the chief patron lent indifference, so common to the Spanof the bull fight, which I hate." iard, was entirely absent in him. On the "Aye, and you would have to hold your

tongue about the priests, but you would The man to whom he spoke was older by have Valentin."

> "That is your final answer?" "Aye, that is my final answer. Have a cigarette? Ah! here is my brother-in-law, the over what I have said, and come to see me again, on Sunday. Buenes noches Carlos. Va con Dios.'

Carlos Saragossa left the courtyard, and

passed out into the garden; when he reached knew how to treat his inferiors with proper | a secluded corner he heard a footstep. condescension. Moreover, he claimed to belong to an old Spanish family, he was He turned and saw a dark-eyed Spanish brother-in-law to the captain general, and girl. She would be regarded as too short was himself alcalde, or mayor, of the town

to be an English beauty, but to the Spaniard dom of Valencia. As such he was one of she was looked upon as fair beyond words. "Valentin, muy amado," he said. "You have spoken, Carlos mio?"

"Yes, I have spoken. And then he told her what had taken place between him and His house, moreover, was larger and more | her father.

For some time she was silent, then she love you dearly, dearly. I always shall. If you can, do what my father bids you. But do the right, Carlos, and trust in God. pavement, and noted with satisfaction the Buenes noches amado. Va con Dios. Hasta waters so far that the fragrance of both

Then Carlos went to his house to think

To such purpose did Carlos Saragossa think and act that within a short time of conversation with Senor Sagasta he was a member of the Council of Amarillio. Moreover, he grew in favor with the people with great rapidity. It is true he was still regarded with suspicion by those who had long held the reins of government, and received but scant courtesy from los hidalgos. has been sought after by many. But what would you? I am also rich, and although read, and as his doings and sayings were reported in La Libertad, those who could read told them to those who could not. Presently a question arose which required much knowledge, much skill and much la-"He has wasted his patrimony amongst the most vicious people in Paris, Vienna bor, and Carlos devoted all these to it, and brought it to a successful issue. He saw and Madrid. He is a spendthrift, and is

and that the people's rights were protected, and that their money was devoted to the purpose for which it was intended. "Ah!" said the people, "he is our friend. Our money does not stick to his fingers, and he keeps a watchful eye on the others. He must be our alcalde. It is true that at present Senor Sagasta is alcalde, but a change must come, and if a change, why I could put money on the place. He can not Carlos?"

Presently, moreover, it leaked out that Senor Sagasta had promised that his daughter should become the wife of Carlos only daughter to be a marquesa, eh? It might on condition that he rose to the position of mean, moreover, when the young King is Alcalde, and el ma istrado principal of

est, he employs much labor, he pays good wages and he sees that the public money she be happy with him? He is a bad, is honestly spent. He is our man. We will vicious man. She does not love him, neither use all our power, and he shall be Alcalde, ne shall be Corregidor."

The people have power even in Spain; in "Aye, but I am a liberal man. Love? Ah! truth, they are more feared there than in any country in Europe. For the Spaniard, good humored and indolent as he is, is also but we grow out of that sort of thing. Beassionate, and when he is once aroused Marquis Del Andromeda, he comes to me, e will try and get his way. Much as many disliked it, they saw there would be a riot and says: 'Give me your daughter,' and if in the town if the claims of Carlos were I say, 'Yes,' well, she will be his wife." not recognized. Moreover, he had not been so violent against the priests of late and as "But I love her," urged Carlos; "I love a consequence much of the opposition against him had ceased. her, and I believe she loves me. I am sure

It came about, then, that Carlos, in remarkably short space of time, became "Perhaps so, perhaps so. But there is this a kind of deputy mayor and was called pon to act in Senor Sagasta's place. It was in August when Carlos was elenobody, your mother was-also nobody. It vated to this position, and during the winis true you have done well, but, then, you ter he gained golden opinions everywhere. It is true he was not admitted into the Casa Sagasta as the betrothed of Valentin; nevertheless, it was generally understood that she was to be his wife. Moreover, it yawns when you speak to him. You are was the talk of the whole town. "Senor not altogether popular. The priests de-Sagasta must retire soon," the cottagers nounce you. It is true, I laugh at the said, "and now he is deputy it is only a priests, as intelligent man does nowadays. Ah, Carlos is wise. He will do nothing that will destroy his chances."
As was natural, Carlos was very happy. That is, I care not for their curses; but

He had been true to his ideals during the time he had been a member of the Council, and had done much work. He saw, too, that had he two or three others of the same way of thinking he could purify the whole municipal life of the town. Then came trouble. There was a great religious feast day in Amarillio, when

priests and acolytes walked in procession. bearing banners and carrying relics, and this feast day was also commemorated by a great bull fight, the first for the year. It took place on the second Sunday in April, when the weather was always lovely, and when the whole town was en fete. Now, Carlos hated bull fights; to him they were cruel, brutal, degrading, ghastly. But this feast had been associated with a bull fight for many years, and the saint of the day supposed to smile on the scene. that this influenced Carlos. Like most of the young and educated men in Spain he given up all belief in the prayers of the time they threw off the yoke of the the virgins and saints; nevertheless, he was in a difficulty. As deputy mayor he would have to be present. He would have to take priest. I study the doings of England, I part in the proceedings officially.

"I will not go," said Carlos to Senor Sa The senor shrugged his shoulders. you will, my dear Carlos. But you know what will happen. Spaniards love a buil fight beyond all else. I believe they would kill the King who would try to put it down. If you do not go your popularity will, and then— Pah! Do not be a fool." But this could not have influenced him

only Valentin was close and so much did

she love him and so dearly did he love her

that he yielded. history, and I find what? Our greatest ene-The second Sunday in April came. It was mies have been the political priests, the a bright, beautiful day, such as Spaniards can depend on in spring. Early in the corrupt councilors, the degrading sports and laziness. Our country is rich. Look paraded the streets, and both priests and around, and there are miles and miles of people seemed happy. At 12 o'clock they

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had their midday meal, after which they hurried to the bull ring in order to get their seats. Many thousands of people were The huge circle containing many tiers of seats was full, and presently when the time came for the fight to commence the people looked eagerly towards the seat destined for the mayor. The man on horseback waited for the keys which the mayor possessed, and which were thrown to him that he might unlock the door where the bulls were. The toreadors and matador were there in gay attire, carrying also their Presently Senor Sagasta entered the bull

ring accompanied by Carlos and Valentin. The people gave a great shout as they saw Carlos. "Ah! he is a Spaniard," they said, 'and he loves a good bull fight. Senor Sagasta took a bunch of keys which were tied with ribbon, and threw them to the man on horseback, and he having unlocked the door a huge bull rushed into the arena. Instantly there was deathly silence. The bull shook his head savagely and rushed towards a man carrying a purple flag. He leaped aside and evaded him, while another man with his red flag diverted the attention of the angry animal. This was done again, and again, until the beast became much infuriated. Then they drove sharp spears into the flesh just behind the bull's shoulder to make him more angry, until streams of gore were running down his sides. The animal became mad with pain while the audience shouted with glee. Presently, through the constant piercing of the buil's flesh with spears, one part of its body became one gaping wound. Still, because the part

was not vital, the beast fought on, now rushing at one man, then at another. Throughout the whole scene Carlos watched disgusted, and as one ghastly detail followed another he turned away his head. Presently, however, the bull was killed and dragged out of the arena amidst enthusiastic applause. "Heaven help the people who can find pleasure in such a scene," said Carlos.

"I must be going now," said Senor Sagasta. "I have an engagement, so I leave you as my deputy to do the honors."

The next fight was to be one of a different nature. Instead of fighting on foot the matadors were on horseback. This promised the people greater sport, as the bulls ofttimes killed the horses-killed them, moreover, in such a ghastly way that I must refrain from giving a description

thereof.

The second bull was brought out and killed-not, however, before the animal had gored a horse to death. Then a third bull was brought out. It was a young animal, and seemed undesirous of fighting. Again and again it tried to get back to its pen while the people hooted and jeered.
"No es valiente!" they cried. "It is a coward, bring out a fighting bull. Let this calf be sent back, let us have another bull." But this could not be without a sign from the mayor. All eyes, therefore, were turned to Carlos. The people had become greedy for a more savage and bloody fight than they had as yet seen. "Now, Senor Carlos," they shouted, "an-other bull! Let's have the wild one from

the Castile mountains. Carlos had grown more and more sick-ened at the scene. He fairly loathed himself as he sat and watched the disgusting spectacle, and yet they clamored for his "I cannot, I cannot," he said to himself, but he knew that he refused the people, so drunk with the scene were they, that his chance of being mayor would be gone forever. They would mob him, curse him, perhaps even worse. Valentin sat by his side watching him, as though she knew the thoughts that were passing through "Heaven help you, Carlos mio!" she said

Then Carlos rose to his feet. "I will not

do this," he said, in a clear, ringing voice which was heard everywhere in the great assembly. "All that has been done is ghastly, degrading, inhuman. I refuse to countenance it any longer. At this a savage roar burst from the people, and thousands arose from their seats to rush upon him. They had paid their money and to be deprived of their pleasure was not to be borne. All he had done for the After that day, for many months, no man was so much hated in the town as Carlos Saragossa. He was mobbed, insulted and reviled, while the thought of his becoming mayor seemed forever at an end. In order to please the people, moreover, Senor Sagasta forbade him to come to his house and declared that his daughter should never become the wife of such a fool. In truth, so much did the people hate Carles that he no longer dared to live at Casa Ballerno, but removed to another district. But before he went he received a letter from Val-

ry another, for she loved him more than After Carlos had left the town of Amarillio things drifted into the old channels. The old system of bribery and peculation prevailed again. The roads which he had arranged to be repaired were left in their old condition. The people were heavily taxed, yet they received nothing for their money. Dirt, disease and corruption reigned, and no man was strong enough and brave enough

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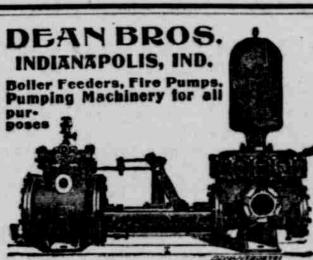
to fight the evils that existed. The people bore it for a time and then they began to complain. "Ah." they said. "things were different when Carlas Sargossa lived here." "But he tried to stop bull fights," others

"Ah! better be without bull fights than have corruption and dirt, and cheatery,' would be the answer. And this thought grew stronger and stronger, until by-and-bye a meeting was called and it was unanimously decided to send a deputation to Carlos asking him to come back and take up his work in the

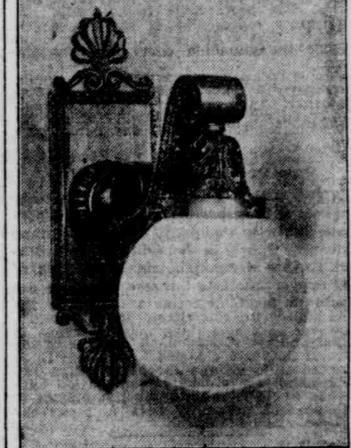
The Spaniard does not reason long, and when they once decided to do this, they delayed not in carrying it into effect, There is one condition I must make, if I am to come back to my old town," said Carles. "And that?" "That there shall never be another bull

fight," he replied. "We are but a small but we can show the larger cities what is right, and just, and human.' When the deputation heard this they went back with a scowl upon their faces. but they told the people what he had said; whereupon they decided to wait a little longer, for they loved their brutal sport. But presently, when things grew from bad to worse in the little town, and all for the need of one brave, true, honest man, they sent to him again. "If you will come," they said, "we wil give up bull-fighting. And thus Carlos came back to Amarillio

and never since that day have the people of that little town been degraded by one of the greatest curses of Spain. Amarillio is to-day one of the few clean thriving, prosperous towns in Spain, and Carlos lives at Casa Sagasta, where Valentin is the mother of dark-eyed, handsome children. The people say they will never have another mayor while Carlos lives.



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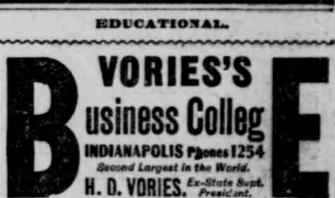


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